



THURSDAY EVENING, FEB. 24, 1910.

In a plea for higher wages and fewer hours of labor for their husbands employed as workmen in Chicago railroad yards, women took the witness stand before the state board of arbitration in that city yesterday and told of their daily struggles to make both ends meet. Never before, it was asserted, was the real story of the high cost of living so vividly portrayed, or "the short and simple annals of the poor" told with more dramatic effect. Battered and egg heads were declared to be luxuries beyond the reach of the average workman's family, while one retail dealer swore that his trade among workmen now consisted largely of liver, kidneys and hearts, where a few years ago the same families bought meats. In order that the little ones might be fed and clothed the mothers swore that the fathers had to work from 12 to 16 hours a day, and every day in the month, so that they never saw their children except while the latter were asleep. One woman said: "A week ago last Sunday my husband was home, and the little ones made such a fuss over him that he did not get outside the door all day, though he intended to go to work in the afternoon. They hardly ever see him. Railroad men as well as many others in this street have become human machines. They have but little time with their families and none in which to read in order to keep posted or to improve their minds."

CONDITIONS in Philadelphia incident to the strike of street car operatives is still serious, and the quiet people of the Quaker City are apprehensive concerning the outcome of the present reign of terror which renders it unsafe for people to appear on certain streets. Some schools have been closed as a result of the turmoil and already three persons have been killed and several hundred injured in clashes between strikers and their sympathizers with the police. Scattered pictures of the more thrilling scenes in connection with the disorder show many thoughtless boys in the front ranks of car window smashers; also some among the crowds engaged in placing obstructions on the tracks. Today's dispatches tell of gangs of men and boys spreading terror in certain portions of Philadelphia. Several years ago when the mining regions of Pennsylvania were in a ferment by reason of a strike pictures of groups of the more disorderly elements showed that many striplings were in the gangs. Such pictures bode no good to the country. Thoughtless youths who are animated by the spirit of rowdiness invariably show no change for the better when they grow into manhood. Anarchistic teachings and the evil example of their elders is already having its effect on the present generation. We may naturally anticipate what the next will be.

DR. GORDON BOWEN, professor of philosophy in Boston University, in an address delivered in Cambridge, Mass., a few days ago, before the members of the Methodist Students' Union, composed of Harvard and Boston University theological students, referred to the habits of men one hundred years ago. He said the men of that time who were then considered asists would not be tolerated now. They were drunkards and slaveholders. It took thirty-five barrels of cider to see many ministers' families through a winter. Gambling and games of chance flourished openly, and sometimes for avowed good purposes. Union College, of New York, was built with funds obtained through a lottery, he said, and many other religious institutions and churches obtained their resources through similar methods. He added: "The politicians of thirty years ago were far more unscrupulous than those of today. The present politician is much more presentable and decent. The world was never so good as it is today."

PRESIDENT TAFT talked economy and expansion to more than 800 diners at the board of trade feast in Newark, N. J., last night, expressing the opinion that the new commission created for the purpose of applying business methods to the administration of the government would be able to effect an annual saving of something like \$100,000,000 a year. The president spoke pessimistically of the money outlook, counting a surplus where now a deficit is visible, and promising the nation will grow to meet the expectations of those who have no present fear of its condition. He said a budget system would be necessary. Still, he said, the navy must be built up and bonds issued for an inland waterway.

The state Senate began work this morning at 10:30. With the tax commission bill out of the way, that body has apparently decided to take up the calendar. No senator is hereafter to be

allowed to speak for more than fifteen minutes unless on subjects of taxation or expenditure. No exception should be made and the time limit should be reduced.

It is announced in Chicago that the price of Bibles will go up on March 1. The cause for the advance is the enforcement of the new tariff on imported leather and paper. Present conditions in this country, it seems, are being hard both on the natural and spiritual man.

From Washington.

Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette.

Washington, February 24.

The count of ballots in the Virginia contested election case of Parsons v. Saunders was completed today by the House elections committee No. 2. The committee will meet tomorrow to set time for hearing arguments. The case is complicated by the fact that a number of votes were cast in the election for Elliott Matthews, an escaped assassin inmate. Members of the committee see no evidence of fraud has been found on either side and that the chief matter of contention to be decided are the technical qualifications of many of the voters.

Plans for conducting the investigation of the cause of high prices for food were considered by the Senate committee, of which Senator Lodge is chairman, at a meeting today. Secretary Wilson, of the Department of Agriculture, and Commissioner Charles P. Neill, of the Bureau of Labor were present. The time was devoted to discussion by the men in the departments best qualified to aid the committee by investigating various branches of the subject.

Admitting that he was the negro involved in the altercation that resulted in the shooting of Harrison Higbee and Leslie Lord, on a Jersey Central train, William Boyd, aged 35, left Washington in the charge of two detectives at 9 o'clock this morning for Jersey City where he will be charged with the shooting. Boyd was picked up in the Union station here early today after the Jersey City police had notified the local authorities to look out for him. The Jersey City police asked that Boyd be sent on at once, as the wounded men are both in a serious condition. The young man was shot, they claim, without the slightest provocation, after the negro had tried in vain to involve them in an argument with himself and a colored woman who accompanied him.

A telegram sent by the striking street car men of Philadelphia to President Taft, explaining their attitude regarding the transportation of mail, and placing the responsibility for the postal tie-up in Philadelphia on the railway company, was turned over to Labor Commissioner Neill today by the president. The Post office Department was also advised of the receipt of the telegram. The president will not personally answer the communication, but he has ordered that a reply be called for. Any further communication with the strikers, if found necessary, will be made to Commissioner Neill. A copy of the telegram was also turned over to Attorney General Wickersham, who communicated with the district attorney at Philadelphia asking for a definite outline of the situation. The attorney general's telegram to the district attorney in Philadelphia ordered him to proceed at once with investigation of the report that the United States mails are being interfered with. The district attorney is ordered to cause the arrest of any persons interfering with the mail service and to prosecute them. He is also ordered to take every legal measure for the protection of the mails.

Rear Admiral Melville, retired, a strong Perry adherent; Rear Admiral Sholey, retired, who was a "back-biter of Cook"; and Rear Admiral Greely, retired, who did not take either side in the controversy, will probably be selected by the naval affairs committee of the House to pass upon Perry's claims to the North Pole discovery. The committee today discussed the subject thoroughly and practically decided to ask the three distinguished officers to pass upon the matter.

"Our claim to every acre of mining land in Alaska is held by a rope of sand," asserted Delegate Wickersham to the House committee on territorial affairs today in his bill to revise the mining laws of that territory. "Every claim is open to litigation." "We do the miners protect their interests now?" asked one of the committee. "With the pistol or shotgun," replied the delegate. Wickersham said that Alaska was not begging for favors, because she was more than paying her way.

Despite the predictions of his physical state last Tuesday that it was only a question of hours, Representative Perkins is still alive. His condition this morning was reported to be about the same as yesterday. The vice president and Mrs. Sherman called at the hospital late yesterday.

There are in the United States more than 2,500 unregulated bankers who transact about \$175,000,000 annually for emigrants, most of them unable to speak English. A report on these bankers prepared by the Immigration Commission was submitted to congress today. Those bankers, the report says, are usually engaged in some other business, such as steamship agency, labor agency, saloon keeping or boarding house management. Dishonest bankers rob the immigrants annually of large sums. The total amount sent abroad by aliens annually is placed at \$275,000,000.

"Owners of ships flying the American flag cannot only run their ships as cheaply as those flying foreign flags, but they have the advantage in nearly every particular," said Andrew Borsuth, of San Francisco, president of the International Seamen's Union, to the House committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries today. Mr. Borsuth appeared in favor of that bill by Representative (Spight, Miss.), providing for the amendment of the laws governing seamen on American ships.

The appointment of Frederick H. Bagher, the present first deputy police commissioner of New York, as surveyor of the port, was under discussion at the White House today, when Senators Root and Dew called on the president. President Taft has been anxious to appoint Bagher, believing he would be of assistance to Collector Loeb in his customs house work in New York. The New York politicians, however, are of the opinion that the appointment should be made with a view to the political exigencies of the present republican situation in New York. "We need the vote," is the way they put it. Meyer-

theless, it appears that President Taft will prevail and that Bagher's appointment will go the Senate shortly.

There is a grand array of 76,688 lady telephone operators in the country, according to a report submitted to the Senate by Secretary Nagel, of the Department of Commerce and Labor today. Also, they are paid, on an average, \$301.81 a year. The total number of telephone employees is 118,871.

Senator Tillman has so much improved that he is now considered to be out of danger.

Traffic was practically tied up in the big Washington Union station for over an hour today because President Taft did not wait to wake up early. He reached Washington at 7:30 this morning in a streamer afternoon and evening at Newark and was tired, he gave orders that he was to sleep until 8:30, which he did.

Virginia News.

Mrs. Sarah Elizabeth Cole, 88 years old, widow of Counselor Cole, died at her home in Fredericksburg yesterday of general debility.

Mrs. Elizabeth Burch, widow of Hill, died yesterday at the home of her son, William Burch, in Clarke county, aged 87 years.

The appearance in court in Manchester yesterday of David Dunlap, a millionaire, with several of his friends, all charged with chicken fighting, attracted much attention all over Richmond.

At a democratic mass meeting held at Cleveland, yesterday, to elect delegates to the Bristol congressional convention, H. O. Stuart stated publicly that he was so situated as to make it impossible for him to conduct a campaign, and it may be definitely stated that under no circumstances will he accept the nomination as candidate for Congress.

It is reported that a fire at the mill of the Sulphur Mining and Railroad Company's plant, four miles from Mineral, in Luise county, Monday evening, caused damages estimated at from \$30,000 to \$40,000. The road is owned by the Virginia-Carolina Chemical Company and has been operated in connection with the sulphur mines. The building and much valuable machinery were wrecked, but the work will not be materially delayed.

Leg Severed by Hawser.

Baton, Feb. 24.—His right leg severed by a steel towing hawser, Captain B. F. Jones, of barge No. 9 of the Central Railroad of New Jersey, gave an exhibition of nerve which physicians here today say was the only thing that saved his life. Smoking his pipe he made his patient-stricken crew signal to Captain Durkee, of the ocean tug Honeybrook, who ran alongside and made a tourniquet which checked the flow of blood.

Barge No. 9 was one of three in tow of the Honeybrook. As the hawser was being played out in starting Captain Jones got in the line. When it was drawn out the skipper's leg was cut off below the knee.

As soon as the captain had been made temporarily comfortable, Captain Durkee of the Honeybrook made full speed for Fort Warren. Army physicians ran to the wharf and in a few moments were at the skipper's side. The captain's only anxiety seemed to be that his wife in West Brookfield, Mass., should not be told of the accident until he got better.

Killed by an Armenian.

Watertown, Mass., Feb. 24.—Because he sprinkled the bed of Harpoon Gurian, an Armenian, with red pepper in a lodging house here, James O'Brien, aged 17, is dead and the Armenian is a prisoner, facing the charge of murder. Neighbors forced their way into the house and, the police say, found the Armenian holding the boy's dead body, his fingers still tightly clamped about his victim's neck, and his face betraying a frenzied rage. Gurian was torn away from the boy after a struggle and held until the police arrived.

TELEGRAPHIC BRIEFS.

Marlin W. Littleton at Albany yesterday opened the defense of Senator Aldrich in the investigation of charges of bribery against his client. Senator Aldrich resigned as temporary president of the Senate.

It is learned in New York that there would be no further indictments in the American Sugar Refining Company investigation, which leaves Charles R. Helke, secretary of the company, as the only man "higher up" to be prosecuted.

It is reported in Chicago that indictments against the National Packing Company and ten subsidiary concerns have been prepared by the federal grand jury investigating the beef trust.

The French government today formally accepted the monopoles of Louis Bliet, after an exacting test of the machine made before a government commission. The machine is the same type as that in which Bliet crossed the English channel.

Victims of Collision.

Saratoga, Pa., Feb. 24.—Two victims of collision between a Lackawanna coal train and a street car were brought to the local morgue today, another is believed to be dying, and four are seriously injured. The accident occurred at Throop, near here, when the coal train ran down the car at a crossing.

Strike on Sugar Plantation.

Paris, Feb. 24.—The French cruiser Victor Hugo was dispatched today to Guadeloupe to assist in putting down the strike of several thousand native sugar plantation workers and refinery employees. Four hundred soldiers are aboard the Victor Hugo and they will be landed at the principal points of disturbance.

THE BALANCE SHEET.

The balance sheet of the Comptroller of the Currency, based on returns made by national banks on January 31, is claimed to be a powerful prosperity argument. According to the figures, made public yesterday, the individual deposits in national banks on that date were \$5,190,855,319.41—an increase of \$70,392,256.33 over the last report on bank conditions, on November 16, 1909, and just \$491,152,277.10 more than reported on February 5 last year. The total resources of the banks have also increased enormously. The figures for January 31 were \$7,730,518,635.37—an increase of \$139,123,975.64 over November 16, 1909.

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Today's Telegraphic News

Agreed to Surrender Charter

[Special dispatch to the Alexandria Gazette.] Richmond, Va., Feb. 24.—At today's conference between officials and R. F. and P. representatives it was practically agreed that the company would surrender its charter and be put on a parity with other roads.

Rev. J. B. Hawthorn, noted ex-hern Baptist divine, died of paralysis today, aged 73 years. The burial will probably be in Hollywood Saturday.

England's Yellow Peril.

London, Feb. 24.—The "yellow peril," feared by the many English statesmen as a result of the determination of China to make her control to Tibet absolute instead of nominal, will be made the subject of an early debate in the House of Commons.

Despite Lord Minto's refusal to interfere in Tibet in an effort to check the operations of the thousands of Chinese troops that now hold the Tibetan capital, several members of Parliament declared today that they would insist on the government demanding from China a full explanation of her intentions in Tibet.

There is the strongest suspicion that China's move is the inauguration of her advance to the west. As Tibet lies immediately to the north of British India, an awakening of the "forbidden country" is deplored by England. English authorities believe they have enough troublesome enemies along the northern Indian frontier without Tibet.

Surprise is expressed that China should have gone so far without a protest from England. Some of the report regarding the number of Chinese soldiers now in Tibet place the total at 20,000.

Calcutta, Feb. 24.—The Dalai Lama, or Tibet "Pope," narrowly escaped capture by the Chinese soldiers who pursued him after he fled from the Chinese invasion of Lhasa, according to reports received here today.

The Dalai Lama fears that the Chinese will kill him and it is said that he will come to this city and lay his grievances before Lord Minto, the Indian Viceroy, who yesterday refused a request of several Tibetan nobles to interfere in Lhasa.

More Rioting in Philadelphia.

Philadelphia, Feb. 24.—Several thousand men and boys assembled at Fort-fifth street and Parkside avenue, in West Philadelphia, about 7 o'clock this morning and toward the attacks on cars, hurling stones and bricks at the windows and yelling and hooting at the police and crowd.

Harry Connelly was arrested and taken to City Hall. The excitement and the noise when the cars were stoned at acted a great crowd of people, and it was necessary to call a detail of the police to disperse them. The disorders took place when the streets were full of men and boys going to work and the cars were delayed for intervals of 12 minutes while the crowds, under the protection of the police, cleared away the obstructions and allowed the cars to proceed.

Four troops of the state police, under command of Captain John C. Bloom, came from their stations in Pennsylvania and were assigned for duty in the northeast part of Philadelphia this morning. One hundred and seventy men mounted and armed with revolvers and riot sticks were in the force.

President Peter Driscoll, of the Car-men's Union, this afternoon declared that a meeting of representatives of all the unions in Philadelphia had been called for four o'clock this afternoon to discuss the advisability of calling a general sympathetic strike, to aid the striking street car men. It is believed many of the labor leaders are opposed to taking such action at the present time, and the indications are that a general strike will not be called.

Harry Swain, a youth, was arrested this afternoon after he had told a number of youths a fanciful story of a plot of a club of which he was a member, to dynamite car barns and street cars. It was discovered that the "bombs" were a couple of railroad torpedoes, incapable of doing damage. Swain at first declared he had drawn the number 14 and later that he had turned the screw of spades, thus being selected to blow up the cars.

Fled from Burning House.

New York, Feb. 24.—The lives of eighty persons were put in peril and a score injured at a fire kindled by a fire bug on the lower West Side early today. Before the arrival of the police and the firemen, men and women, scantily clad, climbed down fire escapes from the burning tenement.

The incendiary had made careful plans for the destruction of life and property. He placed the flaming material at the foot of the stairs in such a way that it shot up the sky light as though pumped by a bellows.

The police made several daring rescues and were scorched in their efforts to save the lives of the children and women who were trapped in the burning building.

Willing to Arbitrate.

Baltimore, Md., Feb. 24.—Declaring that the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad is willing to submit the question of a wage settlement with its employees, President Willard of the railroad issued a statement today in which it is stated that after further consideration the employees are not satisfied with the counter proposition as made by the company, and rather than that there should be any interruption to business or inconvenience to the public, that the Baltimore and Ohio is willing that the matter should be arbitrated, as provided under the Erdman act.

Frenchmen Fight Duel.

Paris, Feb. 24.—Just a little sword thrust in the right arm of Senator Eugene Lintilhac, delivered by Senator Raphael Millies La Croix, ended the most advertised duel between these two statesmen in the fight round today.

The affair of honor took place in the Parc des Princes and was as farcical as any French duel of recent years.

The "wound" that ended the duel resembled a pin prick, but it was sufficient to bring blood, and that was all that was required.

The principals and their seconds went to the Parc des Princes in automobiles, following a devious course and frequently doubling on their tracks to throw the newspaper men off the scent.

Liottiches called Miller-Cox a Coix a liar last Tuesday at a meeting of the senate ball commission of which Liottiches is secretary and Miller-La Croix the president.

The Legislature.

Liquor matters occupied the center of the stage in the Legislature yesterday, nearly everything of importance doing was pertaining to the subject. The "dry" got the worst of it generally, where such an issue was made. The Strode anti-liquor prohibition bill, as was stated in the Gazette of that day, was reported by the Senate committee on privileges and elections with a recommendation that it do not pass. The House sent the companion measure—the Myers bill—to the committee on finance for consideration as to the revenue feature, no opposition being made to this by Dr. Myers. The House refused to take up the Byrd bill out of its order, indicating that it is not recognized that liquor legislation has any sort of right of way.

The Senate having in mind the large amount of liquor handled by the express companies, raised the tax on such concerns from \$3 a mile to \$7.50 a mile. The House finance committee did the same thing.

By a vote of 2 to 1 the House passed the bill which will provide that in future when a city or town votes "wet" or "dry," the result will stand for four years instead of two as at present.

Prof. J. M. Page, of the University of Virginia; Col. Henry C. Ford, of the Virginia Military Institute, and Prof. J. L. Jarman, of the Farmville Female Normal College, have been elected members of the State Board of Education.

SENATE.

Favorable reports were received on the Owen bill, providing for a cattle tuberculosis test; on the bill to provide for the preservation of birds and fish, and on the bill to prohibit unlawful fishing. Senator Strode introduced a resolution providing that hereafter the Senate shall begin its session at 10:30 a. m., except on Mondays, Tuesdays and Fridays, and that no senator shall speak longer than fifteen minutes on a bill, unless it pertains to the public finance. It further provided that Senate bills should be taken up first. The resolution was passed.

The Holland tax commission bill came from the Senate when the House met and was referred to the committee on finance.

The committee on agriculture and mining reported the pure stock food bill with amendments, among them one imposing a license tax instead of a tonnage tax on millers. It also reported the bill providing for the examination of lime, and the Pittsburgh Myers pure food bill. It reported the stock registration bill with a recommendation that it do not pass.

Election of school trustees by a vote of the people is the subject of a bill reported favorably from the committee on schools and colleges.

The committee on counties, cities and towns reported the Keyser bill allowing the sale of liquor in drug stores, and the Jennings bill restricting the operation of liquor licenses.

The following Senate bills were passed on their second reading: Exempting physicians who served as army surgeons during the civil war from a license tax; requiring women nurses who marry to certify to the change of name; to require physicians to report cases of infection or communicable diseases; to amend the charter of the town of Falls Church; to provide for the collection of taxes or moneys in the hands of fiduciaries not held under the control of a court; to authorize cities to make additional compensation to commissioners of the revenue.

The Grigsby bill, to require dentists to have certificates as doctors of medicine, was passed on its second reading.

A long debate on the proposition to elect members of the State Corporation Commission by a vote of the people ended the House session. No vote was reached.

R. F. & P. R. R.

Assurances were given yesterday that under certain conditions the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad Company would surrender its present charter as obsolete, and apply for incorporation on the same basis as other railroads of Virginia. The road is to surrender certain tax exemptions and charter privileges and be relieved from ancient and irksome burdens not suitable to the conditions of modern railroading. A report will be made to the House of Delegates today covering the exact terms of the agreement.

While President White was careful to explain that such a matter would have to be acted on by the stockholders of the company in a duly called and held meeting, yet so far as he and Mr. C. B. Braxton, general counsel for the road, had authority to speak for the road, they said they would strongly advise, if the bill introduced by Speaker Richard E. Byrd last Saturday becomes a law, that the company surrender its charter and take steps to reincorporate.

Governor Mann presided at the conference yesterday.

New York Stock Market.

New York, Feb. 24.—There was a steady tone at the opening of the stock market but trading was not brisk. The market was extremely dull through the first hour with fluctuations fractional. Early advances were attributed to buying orders received over night and were soon stopped.

Although trading continued dull in the late forenoon the market tone was firm with some advances.

Physician Arrested.

Monroe City, Mo., Feb. 24.—Dr. Jas. T. Hall, of Monroe City, was arrested today on a warrant issued at the request of Prosecuting Attorney Rieger, of Adams county, following a post mortem examination in which strychnine is said to have been found in the stomach of the late professor, J. T. Vaughan, of Kirksville, Mo. Dr. Hall was taken to the Maddox Hotel and there turned over to a deputy. At 10 a. m. this morning Hall left for Kirksville where he will either be placed in jail or released on bail.

Shot by Hurricane Branch.

Suffolk, Va., Feb. 24.—Hurricane Branch, a detective connected with many famous arrests in this section, shot and probably fatally wounded James Carpenter, a carpenter, yesterday morning. Carpenter attempted to escape and received a charge of buck-shot in the back.

Tuberculosis Seminars.

New York, Feb. 24.—Tuberculosis seminars will be presented in 215,000 churches in the United States on Sunday, April 24, if the plans of the National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis are carried out. Between now and April 24, every clergyman will be urged to respond on the date named with a sermon explaining the dangers of tuberculosis, and how it can be prevented and cured.

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119 S. Fairfax street.	\$15	425 S. Lee street.	\$11
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212 Duke street.	\$18	321 King street.	\$10
10 Room Frame.		Third Floor Flat.	
226 N. Patrick street.	\$15	342 Commerce street.	\$9
7 Room Frame.		6 Room Frame.	
1446 and 1448 Duke street.	\$15	312 N. Pitt street.	\$9
7 Room Frame.		6 Room Frame.	
335 N. St. Asaph street.	\$16	621 S. Patrick street.	\$7
Store & 6 Room Frame		5 Room Brick.	
310 S. Washington street.	\$13	103 N. West street.	\$5
8 Room Brick.		5 Room Brick.	
311 S. Columbus street.	\$13	509 Wilkes street.	\$5
7 Room Frame.		6 Room Frame.	
302 Duke street.	\$12	531 Wilkes street.	\$5
8 Room Brick.		6 Room Frame.	
1101 Prince street.	\$12		
7 Room Brick.			

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News of the Day.

The House of Representatives yesterday passed the Shirley bill to establish a uniform bankruptcy law throughout the United States.

Eight directors of the Consolidated Milk Exchange, of New York, were yesterday indicted on charges of conspiring to fix the price of milk.

Two battleships and probably a repair ship to follow the fleet and make repairs which will be authorized by the present session of Congress.

The House naval committee yesterday adopted a resolution calling upon the secretary of commerce and labor for Perry's reports of the discovery of the North Pole.

Mr. George W. Delano, stock atorney of the Luskwood (N. J.) Terrace Hotel and Sanatorium Company, told in the East Baltimore Bazaar House yesterday.

Fifty persons are reported to have been killed in a panic following a fire a few nights ago at the Municipal Theater at Trujillo, a town in northern Peru. The fire started from the apparatus used in connection with a moving picture show.

During a clash between the striking sugar cane cutters at Point a Pitre, Guadeloupe, and the soldiers three strikers were killed and several wounded. The grandfarms were burning, having been fired by the strikers.

William Byrd, a negro, 35 years old, was arrested by a Washington policeman last night charged with being the man who shot and probably fatally wounded Harrison Higbee and Leslie Lord in a Jersey Central train between New York City and Newark yesterday.

The New York Stock Exchange authorities announced yesterday that Clifford M. Washburn, floor member of J. M